



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Markus Pompejus *et al.*

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For: *Corynebacterium glutamicum* Genes Encoding Proteins Involved in Genetic Stability, Gene Expression, and Protein Secretion and Folding

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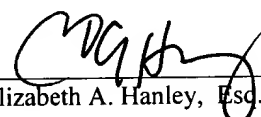
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please delete the Sequence Listing (pages 1-788) and replace it with the substitute Sequence Listing, pages 1-788, filed herewith.

At page 57, line 20, after "GGAAACAGTATGACCATG-3'" please insert --(SEQ ID NO:617)--.